



INSPIRE www.inspire.in.gov

What is INSPIRE?

INSPIRE is Indiana's Virtual Library. INSPIRE is a collection of academic databases and other information resources that can be accessed by Indiana residents using any computer equipped with an Internet Protocol (IP) address located in Indiana and a Web browser such as Firefox or Internet Explorer.

INSPIRE began in January 1998 as a partnership between the Indiana State Library and the Indiana Cooperative Library Services Authority (INCOLSA), along with a one-time grant from the Lilly Endowment Inc. which funded the SiteSearch software and its subsequent development. Today INSPIRE is funded through a combination of funds from the Indiana General Assembly and LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) funding in partnership with the Academic Libraries of Indiana. The Indiana State Library provides support for and training on INSPIRE.

What kind of information is available on INSPIRE?

INSPIRE includes following content: magazine and journal articles, websites, pamphlets, images, almanacs, library catalogs, eBooks, sample tests, and more.

Who can access INSPIRE?

INSPIRE is accessible for Indiana residents who have Internet access at school, home, in their library or at their place of business. An Indiana user is identified by their IP address; this is called IP authentication.

How much does INSPIRE cost to use?

INSPIRE is provided at no cost to all residents of Indiana.

Who is paying for INSPIRE?

INSPIRE is a service of the Indiana State Library. INSPIRE is supported by the Indiana General Assembly through Build Indiana Funds, the Institute of Museums and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act and in partnership with Academic Libraries of Indiana.

Listed below are the resources available in INSPIRE:

Academic Search Premier

- Information from a wide range of academic areas including the social sciences, humanities, general science, education and multi-cultural studies
 - Full text for nearly 4,500 journals, including full text for more than 3,600 peer-reviewed titles
 - Abstracts and indexing for over 8,000 scholarly journals
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Bartleby

- Bartleby.com is an electronic text archive, headquartered in New York and named after Herman Melville's *Bartleby the Scrivener*. It was founded under the name "Project Bartleby" in January 1993 by Steven H. van Leeuwen as a personal, non-profit collection of classic literature on the website of Columbia University. In 1997, it moved to its own domain, bartleby.com, and was called "The New Bartleby Library". In September 1999, Bartleby.com was incorporated and started to focus on reference works, including the contemporary 6th edition of the Columbia Encyclopedia. Access to the collection is free to all Internet users.
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Biography in Context

Virtually every course of study "from history to science to literature" is ultimately tied to the study of people. *Biography in Context* delivers outstanding research

support with nearly a million biographical entries spanning history and geography. Just like all the new revolutionary *In Context* products, it's a curriculum-aligned resource that offers media-rich content in context that's updated daily to meet the needs of today's user. In it you'll find:

- 600,000+ biographies covering more than 525,000 individuals
- 170+ award-winning Gale reference titles
- 50,000 new or updated bios added annually in addition to daily updates to account for awards and events
- Integrated reference material, periodical information and multimedia content
- Hundreds of hand-crafted topic pages covering the highest-interest features

Newly Included Collection

The included *Lives & Perspectives Collection* supports high-school curricula and university coursework by providing multidisciplinary content on notable figures and the societal forces that have shaped their lives. The integration of this collection provides first-time-ever access to 160,000 bios drawn from:

- *American Men & Women of Science*
- *Encyclopaedia Judaica*
- *Governments of the World*
- *Encyclopedia of African-American Culture and History*
- And nearly 40 other respected titles from Macmillan Reference USA, Charles Scribner's Sons and Gale

Biomedical Reference Collection: Basic

- Designed for doctors, research scientists, students, clinical specialists and managers
- Full-text for over 100 journals in a variety of areas pertaining to medical study

- All titles included in the **Biomedical Reference Collection: Basic** are indexed in **MEDLINE**
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Business Source Premier

- Includes topics such as management, economics, finance, accounting, and international business
 - Full-text for over 7,500 publications
 - Full-text backfiles are available as far back as 1922
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Census.gov

- The Census Bureau Web Site provides on-line access to our data, publications, and products.
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Company Profiles

- Accessible by selecting Company Profiles from the list of individual databases or by searching Business Source Premier or Corporate ResourceNet individually
 - Extremely detailed company profiles for the 10,000 largest companies in the world
 - Brief overviews and more in-depth (PDF) profiles
 - Updated on a quarterly basis by Datamonitor
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Contemporary Authors Online

- *Contemporary Authors® Online* offers your students and patrons continuous access to current biographical and bibliographical data on more than 120,000 modern authors. Each *Contemporary Authors® Online* entry contains the most complete and up-to-date entry, accessible

through an easy-to-use interface with a variety of search paths to help you locate the information you need quickly and efficiently. You can easily search for an author by name, title of work, subject/genre, nationality, date and place of birth, honors, awards and much more.

Added to the database annually are approximately 3,000 new entries and 1,000 full-entry updates from the *Contemporary Authors®* and *Contemporary Authors® New Revision Series* print volumes. Look for recent information on J.K. Rowling, Isaac Asimov, Isabel Allende, Joyce Carol Oates, Michael Crichton, Derek Walcott, Dave Barry, Toni Morrison, Neil Simon, and many others. In addition, Contemporary Authors® Online offers continuously updated information on the most active authors in this database. Included are author-provided updates, expanded entries, bibliographies, awards, and recent update information.

Corporate ResourceNet

- Designed to meet the diverse information needs of today's companies
- Full-text articles from over 1,300 magazines and journals
- Full-text information dates as far back as 1985

Datamonitor

- Extremely detailed company profiles for the 10,000 largest companies in the world. Brief overviews and more in-depth (PDF) profiles .Updated on a quarterly basis by Datamonitor.

Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)

- The aim of the Directory of Open Access Journals is to increase the visibility and ease of use of open access scientific and scholarly journals thereby promoting their increased usage and impact.
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EBSCO Animals

- Offers in-depth information on a variety of topics relating to animals
 - Indexing, abstracts, and full-text records describing the natures and habitats of familiar animals
 - Images available for some records
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EBSCOhost

- EBSCOhost is a subscription-based service provided by EBSCO Publishing. It is widely-accessible via private and public databases in libraries and schools. EBSCOhost is an umbrella term for various other databases which provide full text searches and abstracts of magazines, newspapers and reference books in a variety of subject areas, updated on a daily basis. Libraries and other institutions subscribe to EBSCOhost, and optionally choose one or more of the offered databases as part of their subscription. Customers can then search all of the subscribed databases, or focus their search on a subset.
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Educational Resource Information Center (ERIC)

- Contains 2,200 digests and over 500,000 research and technical reports [ERIC documents=ED]
- Over 100,000 ERIC Documents include full text
- Indexes more than 980 education and education-related journals in the Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE) [ERIC journal articles=EJ]

- Selected full-text articles are available for some documents and journal articles
 - Updated monthly
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Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia

- Contains over 25,000 records
 - Full text for each record
 - Updated annually
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Google Scholar

- Google Scholar provides a simple way to broadly search for scholarly literature. From one place, you can search across many disciplines and sources: peer-reviewed papers, theses, books, abstracts and articles, from academic publishers, professional societies, preprint repositories, universities and other scholarly organizations. Google Scholar helps you identify the most relevant research across the world of scholarly research.
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Health & Wellness Resource Center with Alternative Health

- Provides instant access to carefully compiled and trusted medical reference materials.
 - Includes nearly 400 health/medical journals, hundreds of pamphlets, over 700 health-related videos from partner Healthology, Inc., and articles from 2,200 general interest publications in addition to a broad collection of Gale reference titles.
 - Material contained in this Resource Center is intended for informational purposes only.
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Health Business FullTEXT

- Publications covering the business of health care administration, including topics such as staffing, health care regulation, health care facilities management, marketing, and finance
 - Full text coverage for nearly 130 well-known administrative journals
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Health Reference Center Academic

- Multi-source database provides access to the full text of nursing and allied health journals, plus the wide variety of personal health information sources in InfoTrac's award-winning Health Reference Center.
 - All in a single, easy-to-use database, the material contained in this database is intended for informational purposes only.
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Health Source: Consumer Edition

- Provides full text from over 250 periodicals covering nutrition, exercise, medical selfcare, childcare, and drug and alcohol abuse
 - Full text for over 1,000 pamphlets and 140 books
 - Includes Stedman's Medical Dictionary
 - Full text of books from the People's Medical Society
 - Includes Clinical Reference Systems (over 7,000 reports in everyday language, many with images, including Spanish language records)
 - Includes access to Lexi-PALS Drug Guide
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Health Source: Nursing / Academic Edition

- Provides access to over 550 full-text journals, and 800 indexed journals
 - Nursing, allied health and medicine journals are included
 - Can search for peer-reviewed articles
 - Includes access to **Lexi-PALS Drug Guide**
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Image Collection

- Over 100,000 images
 - Includes maps and flags of countries and states
 - Search by image description or browse through images of people, places, or nature
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Informe!

- Full text and images of the most popular Spanish-language magazines and pamphlets - not just translations
 - Spanish thesaurus and interface were created exclusively for native Spanish speakers
 - Full-text coverage of over 100 titles
 - Coverage from 1996 to present
 - Updated Daily
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IN.gov

- Indiana's public information portal, IN.gov, is the official Internet resource for Indiana state government resources and information.
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KidsClick

- KidsClick! was created by a group of librarians at the Ramapo Catskill Library System, as a logical step in addressing concerns about the role of public libraries in guiding their young users to valuable and age appropriate websites.
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Lexi-Pals

- Covers over 1,000 generic medications, 100 natural products, and 19 vaccines.
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Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts (LISTA)

- Indexes more than 600 periodicals, plus books, research reports and proceedings
 - Subject coverage includes librarianship, classification, cataloging, bibliometrics, online information retrieval, information management and more
 - Coverage extends back as far as the mid-1960s
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Lit Finder

- *LitFinder* is international in scope, covers all time periods, and contains a wealth of primary literature content, including more than 126,500 full-text poems, 850,000 poem citations and excerpts, 5,000 full-text short stories, 2,800 full-text essays, 1,800 full-text speeches, and 1,000 full-text plays. *LitFinder* also includes biographies, work summaries, photographs, and a glossary. A subject navigator provides over 10,000 subject headings, and basic and advanced search modes allow users to search by keyword, author, subject, work title, work date, nationality, gender, timeline, and more.

- *LitFinder's* easy-to-use interface allows users to easily target the information they are looking for or to browse the database through various refine search and browse options. For example, users can find everything from the sonnets of Shakespeare to the poetry of Maya Angelou, the love poetry of the 13th century to contemporary poems by African American women, the inaugural speeches of George Washington through George W. Bush, short stories by Edgar Allan Poe to stories by up-and-coming writer Elizabeth Weld, or essays on such subjects as the arts, science, and religion.
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MAS Ultra--School Edition

- Full text general reference database designed for high school students
 - Indexes over 600 journals, with more than 500 journals in full text
 - Includes over 5,000 Magill Book Reviews
 - Includes Essential Documents of American History, a database of over 1,000 primary historical documents including the Bill of Rights, the Constitution, The Federalist Papers, historical speeches, etc.
 - Coverage of the CIA World Factbook
 - Full text for over 500 pamphlets
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MasterFILE Premier

- Full text from over 2,000 general reference, business, health, general science, and multi-cultural periodicals
 - Indexing and abstracts for over 2,500 periodicals
 - Full-text backfiles go as far back as 1975
 - Updated daily
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McClatchy-Tribune Collection (formerly Knight Ridder)

- 90-day archive of almost 300 newspapers from the McClatchy-Tribune Information Services
 - Titles include: The Boston Globe, Chicago Tribune, The Orlando Sentinel, and The Sacramento Bee
 - Updated daily
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MEDLINE

- Provides authoritative article abstracts and citations from the professional journals and publications on medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, and healthcare
 - In the EBSCOhost Interface there are links to some full-text EBSCOhost journals
 - Covers over 4,000 current biomedical journals from around the world
 - Created by the National Library of Medicine, MEDLINE uses MeSH (Medical Subject Headings), with tree structures and explosion capabilities
 - Updated monthly
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Medlineplus

- MEDLINE® provides authoritative medical information on medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, the health care system, pre-clinical sciences, and much more.
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Middle Search Plus

- Designed for middle school students
 - Provides full text from over 150 general reference, health and science magazines
 - Indexing and abstracts for nearly 200 magazines
 - Full text of 265 pamphlets, over 5,000 Magill Book Reviews, 36 reference books, and 1,800 full-text historical essays
 - Full-text backfiles go as far back as January of 1990
 - Indexing and abstract backfiles go as far back as January of 1984
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Military & Government Collection

- Designed to offer current news pertaining to all branches of the military
 - Cover-to-cover full text for nearly 400 journals and periodicals
 - Indexing and abstracting of over 500 titles
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NetLibrary

- As the leading provider of eBooks, NetLibrary offers a growing catalog of more than 2,500 titles. You'll find essential reference materials, the latest social science, medical, art and IT titles, and more.
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Newspaper Source

- Provides selected full text for 200 U.S. and 20 international newspapers, 21 newswires and newspaper columns, and 26 TV and radio news transcripts
 - Full text includes the Christian Science Monitor, USA Today, and the Washington Post plus indexing and abstracting for the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal
 - Updated daily
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Nursing & Allied Health Collection

- All aspects of the Nursing profession -- from direct patient care to health care administration -- are covered in this collection. Including nearly 400 titles, this collection's current and authoritative content will be of use to both professionals already working in the field as well as students pursuing a nursing-focused curriculum.
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Nursing Resource Center

- Designed for nursing students, the Nursing Resource Center brings together in an easy-to-use interface disease and drug overviews, care plans, relevant journal results and animated anatomy and physiology diagrams to complement the core encyclopedia texts.
 - The information is written in accessible language for students completing class assignments and preparing for clinicals as they learn how to care for and treat patients.
 - Search results are returned in tabs that correspond to steps in the nursing process.
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Primary Search

- Provides full text articles from over 60 children's magazines appropriate for elementary schools and children's reading rooms
 - Indexing and abstracts for over 85 magazines
 - Includes over 1,100 full-text historical documents and 100 pamphlets
 - Full text of 18 student reference texts, including the World Almanac and the World Almanac for Kids
 - Contains 310 health and science related pamphlets
 - Updated weekly
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Professional Development Collection

- A highly specialized collection of electronic information especially for professional educators
 - Information on everything from children's health and development to cutting-edge pedagogical theory and practice
 - Abstract and index coverage for over 800 well-known professional development titles
 - Full text for over 750 journals
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Project Gutenberg

- Project Gutenberg is the first and largest single collection of free electronic books, or eBooks. Michael Hart, founder of Project Gutenberg, invented eBooks in 1971 and continues to inspire the creation of eBooks and related technologies today.
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Regional Business News

- Provides comprehensive full text for regional U.S. business publications (including titles from Crain Communications) covering business, politics, and economics
 - Full-text items from more than 75 sources
 - Updated daily
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Science InContext

- *Part of Thomson Gale's science product line for students, the Science Resource Center is an in-depth, curriculum-oriented science database that provides a one-stop resource for all science-related research needs. The Science Resource Center reflects curriculum trends and focuses on key concepts taught in school classrooms.*
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Small Business Resource Center

- *Small Business Resource Center -- is the perfect resource for public and academic libraries, chambers of commerce and small business development centers -- covers all major areas of starting and operating a business including financing, management, marketing, human resources, franchising, accounting and taxes. Startup and established businesses alike can find the answers they're looking for from an easy-to-use interface that includes a "How To" menu that tackles the most-frequently asked new business questions -- including "How to start a small business."*
- Whether the aspiring businessperson searches by existing business topics, types, sample business plans or creating their own, search results will be returned quickly and are designed for easy readability and use. *Small Business Resource Center* is home to the best resources Gale has to offer, including the entire *Business Plans Handbook* Series, which contains hundreds of sample business plans created by real-life

entrepreneurs. Also included are the *Encyclopedia of Business Information Sources*, *Encyclopedia of Management* and *Small Business Management - A Framework for Success*. *Small Business Resource Center* also features as dozens of titles from John Wiley & Sons -- best known for the popular and easy-to-understand "For Dummies" series -- such as *Portable MBA Strategy*, 2nd Ed., *The 7 Irrefutable Rules of Small Business Growth* and *Portable MBA in Entrepreneurship*. *Small Business Resource Center* also includes nearly 200 business journals -- both specialty/vertical market and general business.

Teaching Books.net

K–12 School

- The database is developed and maintained to include thousands of resources about fiction and nonfiction books used in the K–12 environment. The focus of the service is on supporting student achievement, offering meaningful professional development for the teaching of books, and infusing reading and technology into all K–12 content area.

Teacher Education, College, & University

- With TeachingBooks.net, faculty, staff, and students can:
- Support any syllabus that uses children's and young adult literature with one durable link that maintains all the online, multimedia resources about the books and authors on that syllabus. (Use this on Blackboard, Moodle, etc.)
- Learn ways to integrate books and authors into all K–12 curricular areas.
- Meet authors and have ready-to-use activities for their own professional development and enjoyment.
- Discover author interview movies, professional book readings, book discussion guides, author name pronunciations, and much more!

Public Library

- Bring authors into the library anytime with engaging author interview movies.
- Supplement summer reading programs with ready-to-use multimedia materials.
- Provide homework help for students.
- Support book clubs with prepared discussion questions and recorded performances of the books.
- Foster professional development about the world of children's and young adult books.

Testing and Education Resource Center (TERC)

- Taking a college entrance or licensing exam? Looking for a college or graduate school? Need help finding scholarships? Use this database to search thousands of college and graduate school entries. Identify scholarships that meet their financial needs. Take on-line practice tests and use test prep eBooks to obtain your education goals.
- Create your own account to track your progress
- Free electronic study guides / prep books (SAT, MCAT, ASVAB, etc.)

TOPICsearch

- Explore social, political and economic issues, scientific discoveries and other popular topics discussed in today's classrooms
- Over 78,000 full text documents
- Selected full text articles for nearly 100 U.S. newspapers
- 2,500 diverse sources including international and regional newspapers, periodicals, biographies, public opinion polls, book reviews, pamphlets, and government information
- Includes an online dictionary

What Tree Is That?

- Full-color photographs identify trees by leaves, fruit or bark
 - Includes information on over 170 different trees of the Midwest by both common and Latin names
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WorldCat

- Includes millions of records built from the bibliographic and ownership information of contributing libraries.
 - Records for everything from stone tablets to electronic books, wax recordings to MP3s, DVDs and Web sites.
 - Many records are enriched with cover art, tables of contents, reviews, excerpts and other descriptive information.
 - Records typically have library holdings information attached to show where they can be accessed.
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WebJunction <http://in.webjunction.org>

WebJunction Indiana (<http://IN.WebJunction.org>) offers online content to libraries such as courses in everything from basic computer skills to advanced web design and from using the Internet to library management skills. Additionally, in the discussion groups, library staff can go online to communicate and share ideas with other libraries around the world.

WebJunction Indiana provides all of the aforementioned standard WebJunction resources along with local content of special interest. The community includes material from the Indiana State Library and other Indiana libraries, plus professional articles and instructional columns from WebJunction contributors. WebJunction Indiana also provides useful tools, such as a statewide calendar of library events, free access to TechAtlas technology planning software, and TechSoup, which offers libraries discounts on computing tools, including hardware and software. In the future, Courses in the WebJunction Indiana catalog meet continuing education requirements for certification.

Library professionals may register today and start taking advantage of WebJunction's resources and engaging in current discussions. To register, or learn more about WebJunction programs and services, visit <http://in.webjunction.org>.

WebJunction Indiana classes are paid for by the Indiana State Library and made available to Indiana library professionals currently working in a library. A catalog of more than 300 courses is available to WebJunction Indiana members. Additionally, WebJunction offers at least 2 webinars per month on hot topics for libraries around the country and the world.

LEUs are available to Indiana public library staff based on course duration or course length (NOT CONTACT HOURS*) on an hour for hour basis, .5 hour is rounded up to the hour. If both contact hours and course length/course duration are listed, please use course length to determine the LEUs received.

To register for TechAtlas and use the professional development, inventories, or technology planning tools, visit <http://webjunction.techatlas.org/tools/>. Be sure to partner with the Indiana State Library if you'd like to have someone verify that your technology plan is sufficiently meeting requirements before you submit it for approval.

Access Point

Access Point Provides free high-quality and functional websites to public libraries through a content management system. The program is free for public libraries without a current online presence and those having difficulty maintaining their existing site. The program includes many features that will make maintaining a website simple and painless, and the State Library will provide an initial template, training, and assistance.

The new public library standards that went into effect January 1, 2011, require that public libraries have a functional website. **Access Point** is a simple and cost-effective solution to not only meet this standard, but put you ahead of the curve by connecting your community to innovative and practical online library services

To learn more about the program you may visit the program's website:

<http://www.in.gov/library/accesspoint.htm> or contact the Professional Development Office (317) 234-5650 or (800) 451-6028 (Indiana only).

Indiana Memory www.indianamemory.org

Indiana Memory is a web portal, providing access to Indiana's history and culture as found in digitized books, manuscripts, photographs, newspapers, maps, audio, video and other resources. It is part of a statewide collaborative effort to provide access to the wealth of primary sources found in Indiana libraries, archives, museums, and other cultural institutions. Guidelines for digital imaging projects based on national standards have been created and are available to organizations digitizing collection items on the Indiana Memory website.

The Indiana Memory web interface provides multiple access points to the digital collections. The user has the ability to search across all collections, just one collection, or select the collections that are of interest. A selection of pre-determined subject searches is also available on the home page. Because the initial searches are done from the indexed metadata, results are quickly available.

A public library may participate in Indiana Memory in a number of ways.

1. The easiest way is for the library to use CONTENTdm for their digital collections. After obtaining permission from the host library, the Indiana State Library will harvest the metadata and the thumbnail images.
2. If a public library receives a LSTA digitization grant from the Indiana State Library, the resulting digital collection will automatically be included in Indiana Memory. ISL provides free access to the ISL server and its statewide CONTENTdm license for these projects.
3. Public libraries can apply to use ISL CONTENTdm license for their digital project by completing the project application available on the website (<http://www.in.gov/library/indianamemory.htm>)
4. If the library is using a different collection management software program to provide online access to its digital images, it can supply the Indiana Memory program with display images and a tab-delimited text file containing metadata.
5. The Indiana State Library will also make its statewide license available to those libraries requesting to use our Mobile Scanning Units. The Mobile Scanning Unit, which includes a laptop computer, scanner and appropriate software, is available for an eight-week loan to local organizations. The State Library will also supply training in scanning and metadata creation along with the equipment at no cost.

In all of the above cases, the digital collection must meet the provisions of the Indiana Memory collection development policy and the standards set by the Scanning and Metadata Guidelines. Libraries are strongly encouraged to discuss their digitization projects with the State Library before they begin the actual scanning.

Indiana Memory is constantly evolving and adding new collections. For more information about the web portal and how to participate, contact Connie Rendfeld (crendfeld@library.in.gov) or call (317) 232-3694.

The Indiana Memory program is part of a statewide digitization program funded by a Library Service and Technology Act (LSTA) grant.

VINE (Vital Information Exchange) www.vine.in.gov

This statewide collaborative database brings together Indiana-related local history and vital records from Indiana's public libraries, historical societies, genealogy societies, and related agencies. The goal of the project is to allow genealogy and local history researchers to quickly and efficiently locate vital records and local history information from one centralized online location.

The Web-based VINE does not require downloadable software to access the database. This enables libraries and related organizations to search records from any computer with Internet access. The database is searchable by county, event, or general surname. These records are available to the public at no charge and include a host of records such as: anniversary, birth, biography, cemetery, census, church, death, marriage, military, mortality, naturalization, obituary, and school records.

If you would like to join the VINE, go to www.vine.in.gov, click on the "Library Login" button in the upper right hand corner of the page. On the next page, click on the "Join VINE" button in the upper right hand corner, complete the online registration form, and click the "Add Organization" button. A username and password will be sent to the primary contact's email address. If you have records

in an electronic format and would like to have them added to the VINE, save your data in Access, or Excel 97, burn to a CD ROM, and send to the project coordinator. If you are unable to save your information in either of these formats we will work with you on an individual basis.

Online video presentations are available on the VINE website at www.vine.in.gov. The videos provide a project overview, helpful information and tutorials. The Library's IT staff is also available and can handle all issues concerning the VINE except the data entry of new records. For any questions or comments regarding the VINE, please contact Lisa Meadows, Vine Project Coordinator, by phone at (317) 232-3720 or by email at vine@statelib.lib.in.us.

Library Listservs

All Indiana Library Professionals INlibraries@lists.IN.gov

The INlibraries listserv is for all types of Indiana libraries – academic, institutional, public, school, and special. Rather than focus on particular specializations in librarianship, the purpose of this listserv is to create a forum to discuss information, issues, services, and opportunities that affect every librarian statewide.

Public Library Professionals inpublib@lists.IN.gov

Indiana librarians can ask about other libraries' policies, programs, if a type of equipment is good or bad, offer library items for sale or free. The list of possibilities is endless. If you ask a question, there will probably be someone who can answer it or has had the same experience.

Library Marketing & PR Professionals LibraryPR@lists.IN.gov

LibraryPR is an open discussion list dedicated to library professionals who specialize in public relations, communications, marketing and outreach at their library. The LibraryPR listserv will give marketing professionals the opportunity to share ideas, resources, and strategies for increasing public awareness of

libraries programs and services, offer best practices and success stories, receive updates on regional and statewide partnership opportunities and outreach initiatives, and learn more about upcoming marketing workshops and professional development opportunities.

Children's Librarians inchildprog@lists.IN.gov

Indiana librarians can share successful children's programming ideas, list upcoming events for their libraries, coordinate speaker sharing, borrow & exchange resources, and discuss program flops.

Teen/Young Adult Librarians yappers@lists.IN.gov

YAPPERS is for librarians who serve teens and young adults. The list is a forum for exchanging ideas and dealing with issues that relate to service for those patrons between ages 12 and 18.

Trustees trustees@lists.IN.gov

Indiana trustees can ask about other library policies, learn about trustee training programs, or find out about a library building project. Ask any question. Chances are there will be someone to answer that has had a similar experience.

To subscribe to any of the listservs visit the State Library's website:

<http://www.in.gov/library/listservs.htm>

Lyrasis Membership Benefits for Indiana Libraries

Indiana libraries are LYRASIS Group Member Affiliates and can participate in the benefits of LYRASIS membership at no cost to the libraries by virtue of Indiana State Library's partnership and status as a LYRASIS Group Member. Indiana Group Member Affiliates, including public libraries, will continue to have access to LYRASIS library products and databases, training, and consulting services at LYRASIS member rates. More specifically, these membership benefits include:

- **DISCOUNTED PRICING** - Proving the power of group buying, LYRASIS offers members discounts on hundreds of products and services—electronic information resources, hardware, software, library management tools, and library supplies—from more than 100 vendors. Through LYRASIS membership, for example, Indiana State Library and its Group Member Affiliates will continue to have access to an exclusive Baker and Taylor discount program as well as a subscription to a NetLibrary Shared eBook Collection.

- **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** - Through a special partnership with the Indiana State Library, Indiana library and information professionals are now welcome to take hundreds of prepaid live online courses from LYRASIS. LYRASIS courses normally cost between \$120 and \$220, but are now available at no cost to libraries across the state. LYRASIS distance education courses are taught by professional instructors on a wide range of current library topics, including Metadata and Cataloging, Digitization and Preservation, Technology Trends and Applications, Reference and Resource Sharing, and many more. In addition to the special partnership for online distance learning, Indiana Group Member Affiliates can also register and pay for on-site and customized training sessions at member rates. To view all LYRASIS classes, visit <http://www.lyrasis.org/Classes-and-Events.aspx>.

- **CONSULTING SERVICES** - Advice on a variety of topics is provided by well-qualified LYRASIS staff and outside experts in the library field via LYRASIS' Consulting Services. The LYRASIS Strategic Planning Toolkit can also be purchased by Indiana Group Member Affiliates.

- **TECHNOLOGY** - Keeping up with technology is an important task in today's libraries. One of LYRASIS' technology-related services provides access to a combined online test bed for emerging technologies. From sampling a wide array of open source software to exploring selected commercial applications, members can track trends and emerging standards in the world of information content. Assistance in planning,

installing, and troubleshooting hardware and software is also offered through TechSquad.

- **PRESERVATION SERVICES** - LYRASIS provides comprehensive preservation services, including disaster preparedness and resources, training in preservation techniques, consulting, and grant writing for preservation projects.
- **DIGITAL SERVICES** - From classes on digitization, to consulting services, to discounts on digital services products, to the Mass Digitization Collaborative, a grant-subsidized digitization initiative, LYRASIS' Digital Services offers a full range of support to help members develop and maintain digital collections and services in their libraries and organizations.
- **COMMUNICATION** - LYRASIS communicates with the membership through a variety of communication tools, including an information-packed website, the LYRASIS eNewsletter, a quarterly e-journal called "Solutions", an "alerts" listserv, and blogs. Support is available via phone, fax, a Help Desk, and Live Chat.
- **MY LYRASIS** - My LYRASIS is a 24/7 service helping members enjoy the convenience of "one-stop shopping", monitor purchases and payments of services, maintain contact information, register for workshops, and post job openings.

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For further information regarding any of the services mentioned here or to explore the many other services available from Lyrasis, the Indiana State Library and Group Affiliate Members can contact [Eric Zino](mailto:eric.zino@lyrasis.org) (eric.zino@lyrasis.org), Member Products and Services Consultant for the state of Indiana, and [John Yorio](mailto:john.yorio@lyrasis.org) (john.yorio@lyrasis.org), one of LYRASIS' Regional Support Specialists. LYRASIS looks forward to another year of collaboration with Indiana libraries.